

ITEM:	12
SUBJECT:	Three Mountain Power, LLC, Gas-Fired Electrical Power Plant, Shasta County -- <i>Consideration of Withdrawal of Regional Board Resolution 5-00-108.</i>
DISCUSSION:	<p>Three Mountain Power, LLC (TMP) submitted a Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD) to the Regional Board on 17 March 2000 for a proposed gas-fired electrical power plant. The ROWD described Class II surface impoundments for containment of brine waste and consumptive use of approximately 2,900 acre-feet/year of ground water.</p> <p>Staff presented tentative waste discharge requirements at a public meeting on 15 June 2000. Interested parties expressed concerns regarding the water supply aspects of State Board Resolution 75-58, Water Control Policy on the Use and Disposal of Inland Waters Used for Powerplant Cooling.</p> <p>The Regional Board adopted Regional Board Resolution 5-00-108 requesting the State Board to evaluate if the consumptive use of ground water constituted unreasonable use or waste of water resources.</p> <p>Subsequent to the 15 June 2000 meeting, TMP substantially modified the design of the proposed electrical power plant. Class II surface impoundments are no longer needed and the water supply requirement will be reduced 80 percent to approximately 600 acre-feet/year. Therefore the issues regarding unreasonable consumptive use of ground water are no longer significant.</p>
RECOMMENDATION:	Staff recommends withdrawal of Regional Board Resolution 5-00-108.

Mgmt. Review _____

Legal Review _____